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Commissioner For Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 3, 2003 for three (3) month(s) from February 3, 2004 to May 3, 2004. A continuation is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/END-805CON/VEK in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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